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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.  
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SUBJECT: **TESTIMONY ON E-CIGARETTES AT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'  
MARCH 4, 2014 CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

This is to inform you that I will be testifying at the March 4, 2014 meeting of the Los Angeles City Council on e-cigarettes. Last week I informed you that I would be testifying on this issue at the City's Arts, Parks, Health, Aging, and River Committee, which approved a draft ordinance on e-cigarettes. The draft ordinance to be considered by the full City Council on March 4 would amend the City's municipal code to revise the definition of smoking to include electronic smoking devices and to revise various provisions regarding the prohibitions of smoking in certain places. My testimony is at the request of the Los Angeles City Attorney to provide the County Health Officer's evaluation of the public health impacts of e-cigarettes. I am speaking in favor of the proposed ordinance.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

JEF:jb

c: Chief Executive Officer  
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